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COLLEGE VOTE FAVORS NEW GOVERNING BOARD

DEATH KNELL OF ADVISORY BOARD SOUNDED

Student Body Passes Motion Asking Present Board to Provide for Changes in Constitution.

After one hour and fifteen minutes of rapid-fire discussion in which petty personalities were thrown to the winds and the welfare of Hamilton alone considered, the College last night expressed its wish that the present Advisory Board be abolished and a smaller board, as originally proposed by Dr. Frank Hoyt Wood and strenuously advocated by Life, be established. The motion was carried by a majority of slightly over two-thirds.

While the formal motion instructed the Advisory Board to so amend the constitution as to provide for a board consisting of three students, three professors and three Alumni, in effect it means that the death knell of the Advisory Board has been sounded and that what is hoped to be a more efficient form of administration is to be inaugurated.

The Advisory Board will convene to start work on the consittution Friday night.

New Arrangements.

When the College came drifting into Commons shortly after 7:30 o'clock it found that an entirely new arrangement for smokers had been inaugurated. Instead of the usual formal array of tables was a large semicircle of chairs grouped about a blazing fire in the hearth on the north side of the Hall. While the College was assembling Narramore, McGibeny, and Wassung kept the crowd good natured with selections of ragtime.

At 8 o'clock Martin, '11, president of the Athletic Association called the meeting to order. After briefly explaining the purpose of the meeting Martin outlined the broad proposition to be considered. "We are here," he said, "to decide whether we approve of the present Advisory Board or whether we desire its abolition and the substitution of a smaller board. The minor details can be worked out at a later time. I will consider as already presented the following motion: "Resolved, that the Advisory Board continue in its work of revising the Constitution of the Athletic Association so as to provide for an Executive Committee composed of not more than eleven members or less than seven, which committee shall be invested with the powers and duties of the present Advisory Board and its sub-committee, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment."

Drummond, '12, was the first speaker and took a decided stand in favor of the motion. He dwelt upon the fact that the present Board was unwieldy and that the members felt too little responsibility.

Dr. Saunders Speaks.

The first opposition to the motion was voiced by Prof. A. P. Saunders, who expressed the wish that a student might first offer his views.

"I am not adverse to cutting down the present Board. I think that there are more Faculty members upon it than there ought to be, more students than there ought to be. The Board, however, has developed by a process of evolution. As new activities have sprung up, new members have been added. But I do not see how a board of nine men can adequately represent all these departments. Managers will have to be called in at every meeting for consultation and eventually you will have as large a working organization as at present."

"As far as for saying that the students will have better representation through an increased responsibility, I doubt the statement. The larger number of student members will best represent the College. I can't see how this proposition will lead to satisfactory results."

Prof. Saunders Answered.

In answer to Prof. Saunders' argument that every department ought to be represented on the Board, Drummond, '12, stated his belief that the present Board is made up of members, but two of whom are conversant with the affairs of any one department. The members of the new board would be conversant with every phase of college activity. They would act in a judicial capacity, hearing the demands and recommendations of the various managers.

Dr. Wood Speaks.

Dr. Wood, a member of the committee who framed the proposed plan, continued this line of argument. "I believe that the plan is practicable," he said, "and that this commission form of carrying on the work would be highly successful."

Prof. Saunders, amplifying his previous argument, stated his belief that since managers would have to be summoned for consultations, it would be just as practicable to have them on the Board.

Prof. Ibbotson argued that the College was considering a business proposition and that he believed it would be no more difficult to secure a meeting of the new board than under the present regime.

Student Opinion Heard.

Bedenkapp, '12, said that he could not understand why the baseball manager should consider the business of the Musical Clubs and vice versa. "It seems to me," he said, "that the new board would perform its work in a more efficient manner."

The opinions of the managers themselves was considered valuable and

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THE PLAN IN BRIEF.

Abolishing the present Advisory Board.

Substituting a new Board of nine men.

Of these, three would be students elected by the College.

Three would be members of the Faculty elected by the students.

Three would be Alumni selected by the general body of the Alumni.

The new Board would control all College activities.

The Board would take over the functions of the Ten-Year Alumni Association.

It would serve one year.

STRONG VOTE SUPPORTING THE CHANGE

Tentative Board to Consist of Nine Men—Work on the Revision to be Commenced Next Friday.

WEST NEARLY SUFFOCATED.

Senior Has Narrow Escape.

Fighting for breath and almost exhausted by his frantic efforts to break his way to freedom John Malcolm West, '12, was dragged through the door of 16½ South Thursday morning by two of his gallant classmen. The rescue was effected just in time for had another minute elapsed the half crazed John Malcolm would have undoubtedly hurled himself through the window into the ashy abyss four feet below.

It was shortly after 9 o'clock that Charles Root, '12, on his way to the Y. M. C. A., heard frantic cries from the first floor of South. Thinking that murder was being done, he immediately rushed to the study of Dr. Wood, who, he found, was not in his room. By this time the cries had become more pitiful and a little more subdued. With the thought of dastardly crime in his mind and the image of a blood-stained floor he quickly ran to the door of Joseph Hull. Hull, however, was found calmly pacing up and down the floor in a meditative mood. He quickly joined in the rescue and was sent to search the second floor. In the meanwhile the cries had subsided into a pitiful moan. Then they ceased and the rescuers, who had by this time become legion, believed that the end had come.

Suddenly a thud was heard on the door of 16½. The reserves with the doughty Hull at their head held back the crowd while Root endeavored to catch the sounds that came from behind the locked door.

"Let meh out, domit, let meh out," came the wail. Then silence. Someone suggested a priest, but Batchelor entere upon the scene. He brought with him a key. By sheer strength the reserves beat back the crowd again. "Give him air" was the cry.

With excited, trembling fingers Batchelor thrust the key in the lock. There was a low moan and he fell back.

"I can't do it, boys, I can't do it. It's West. Let somebody else look at the body first."

The door was quickly opened and through it staggered the once erect and stately form of the West Indian. His eyes were bloodshot and there was a ghastly pallor upon his cheeks. "The air in there was stuffy," he gasped. "I tried—I—" Then they carried him away.

Detectives are now on the trail of the miscreant who imprisoned West in No. 16½. Arrests are expected at any moment.

A Life reporter in conversation with West later gained the statement, "If they must imprison me, let it be where the gentle winds do blow. Domit, that room was not like the Barbados, not at all."

PRESS CLUB OFFERS PRIZE.

The Press Association is enabled, though the generosity of a recent Alumnus, to offer a prize of ten dollars for the best article, suitable for newspaper use, on Hamilton's Centennial Celebration. This contest is open to all undergraduates. The article should not contain less than 1,000 nor more than 1,500 words. The paper should be typewritten and must be submitted to Bates, '12, by March 15th. It will be judged by a committee of three, of whom at least one will be an active journalist. The selection will be made particularly upon the suitability of the article for newspaper use. The Press Association will reserve the right to use, in its publicity work, all articles submitted in this contest.

The Press Association competitors will be given credit for their work in this contest. From now on there will also be a weekly assignment of special articles for these competitors. The Association reports that the sale of the calendars was a financial success from which it will realize a sufficient sum to carry on its work this term.

Following the appeal for immediate action by the Alumni organizations in regard to preliminary prize speaking contests, as published in Life last week, Professor Lewis is in receipt of hearty acceptances from seven of the nine organizations. Watertown and Buffalo alone have not as yet taken up the matter and made active preparations to hold the aforesaid preliminary meets in preparation for Inter-Academic Day.

—The Charlatans cast are holding one and sometimes two rehearsals a day on "The Westerner." Dress rehearsals will begin next week. Lyon, '13, has been made Stage Manager, and will begin selecting the scenery and properties at once.

—During the absence of Marsh, '12, last week, Meyer, '13, conducted the Freshman drills.

—The basket-ball game between the Juniors and Freshmen, which was to have been played last Tuesday, will be played tonight.

—The Utica Free Academy Debating Team has challenged the Freshmen to debate soon after the beginning of the second term.

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EDITORIAL.

Tickets for Alumni.

Life heartily endorses the scheme of the Advisory Board to give tickets to Alumni who subscribe to the Athletic Association. It may be felt that the Alumni will, by contributing say five dollars, receive in free admissions to games and concerts more than the amount donated. In rare cases this may be so. But our Alumni do not take the interest they should in our activities. We must make concessions to them. We must stimulate their interest. Any action signifying to the Alumni that they are not merely being dunned will stimulate that interest. What may in the first few years cost us money, will in the end pay it back. It is a good business proposition. Vote for it.

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Junior Week.

The approaching Junior Week is reminiscent of many joys and palpitating hearts. A committee which devotes thought and labor to a festivity in which the whole College shares deserves hearty support. The old, deplored system of making out the dance cards before advance cards come out is radically wrong and manifestly unfair to those who do not follow the custom. To eliminate all danger in this matter the present Junior committee have altered the number of the supper dance and made other changes. What augurs to be an unsurpassed function for the Hill should surely be void of these contaminating and useless customs. Life urges that the college body accept the suggestion and let the advance cards serve as the only preliminary schedule of future joys.

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The Rutgers Game.

Life cannot urge too strongly that the football management make every possible effort to secure a transfer of the Hamilton-Rutgers football game to New York City. The game has been incorporated in the schedule and there is no reason, as yet, to believe that the Rutgers management would oppose such a transfer. The playing of the game in New York City would afford numerous Hamilton Alumni an opportunity to witness the contest, while there is reason to believe that many Rutgers graduates who could not make the trip to New Brunswick would be present.

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The Lit.

The admission of the Hamilton Literary Magazine to the Athletic Association should prove valuable to all concerned. The management of Lit. has long felt the need of a strong financial backing while the Advisory Board and the Ten-Year Alumni Association have both desired the assistance of a publication through whose columns the publication of matters of interest to the Alumni could be made. There is no reason to assume that Lit. is to become a magazine wholly devoted to the Alumni. The publication, as hitherto, will present its customary offering of fiction and prose.

Pennsylvania's first and second soccer teams are members respectively of the first and second division of the Cricket Club League of Philadelphia.

James Kase, who coached the freshmen basketball team at the University of Indiana last year, has been selected varsity coach for this season.

Voluntary practice has begun for the Harvard varsity and freshman crews.

PRINCETON RESENTMENT HIGH.

About the Campus interest is still rife in the dispute which has arisen at Princeton regarding the alleged lack of democracy in that Univedsity. Hamilton men, who are as a whole firm believers in the fraternity system, have for some years watched Princeton's experience with the "club system" and are at present keeping a keen eye on the heated debate which has arisen from William Bayard Hale's article on "What Happened at Princeton." According to Mr. Hale a social aristocracy has become the dominant element at Princeton.

The Princetonian has voiced the resentment of the undergraduate body in several editorials. The following is from the issue of January 8:

"If by social aristocracy an aristocracy based on wealth is meant one has but to look at the men who are in clubs and then at some who are not, or at the men who hold undergraduate offices, to see the absurdity of it. And an aristocracy where some of the poorest men in the University sit down at meals three times a day with their fellows more fortunate in their possession of this world's goods, for in every club without exception there are several men who are working their way through college, is about as near an imitation of democracy as could be imagined.

—George F. Lyon, '72, has been appointed to the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of New York State, sitting in Albany.

INTERCOLLEGIATE NOTES.

Plans have been drawn up for the introduction of hockey into class athletics at Michigan. The plan was devised to give class athletes an object for training during the winter months.

Rather than have their hair clipped as a punishment for shaving the heads of a number of freshmen, three hundred students of Louisiana State University went on a strike and the institution closed.

According to present indications New York University will have a crew next Spring. The intention of the backers of the project is to lay foundations for a crew that will in the course of two or three years be entered at Poughkeepsie.

G. N. Bissell, '13, and D. J. Smith, '13, were elected assistant managers of the gymnastic and swimming teams respectively at Princeton.

PROM. PLANS ANNOUNCED.

Many Innovations Will be Offered—Decorations to be Kept Secret —Novel Lighting Effects.

With Junior Week heralded as "bigger and better than ever" and with rumors of the lavishness of the approaching festivities in mind the College anxiously awaits the coming of February 5th. The old graduate, however, recalls the days when Junior Ex., with its program of prayers, music, essays and orations, was held in the Old Stone Church. To the class of 1890 we owe the re-establishment of Prom., which had never been held here except for a few years in the early eighties. Before this time, whenever the Juniors held a dance it took place in Scollard Opera House to the music of a traveling minstrel band. The class of '93 first christened the newly-fitted Soper Gymnasium for this use.

Since 1890 the Prom. Week festivities have become more imposing each year and it is the intention of 1913 to outdo all former efforts. The committee has engaged Bradley for catering. Zita will furnish the music. Elliott of Philadelphia will get out the programs. Trohan will decorate.

Several innovations are to be introduced in the decorating, the extent of which the committee refuses to divulge. The old cheese-cloth draperies are to be discarded. A new system of booths is to be fitted up, each in its society colors, though the main colors will be the blue and white of 1913. A new and magnificent lighting scheme has been arranged for the ceiling. A punch booth on the main floor, a smoking room on the second, and the dressing rooms on the lower floor will complete the equipment.

Arrangements concerning the dances have been made with Zita, and it is hoped that the usual after-supper confusion will be eliminated. Four novelty dances are to be introduced. Contrary to custom the Prom. will begin with a grand march, which will begin promptly at eight-thirty.

Other events of the week will be a special matinee featuring Frances Starr at the Majestic Monday afternoon, the Musical Clubs concert Tuesday afternoon, and the Charlatan performance Wednesday afternoon. Monday evening the Alpha Delta Phi, Psi Upsilon, Theta Delta Chi, and E. L. S. will hold informals, Wednesday the Chi Psi, Sigma Phi, Delta Upsilon, and Delta Kappa Epsilon.

The committee in charge of the work consists of Stone, chairman; Wheelock, treasurer; True, Barber, Davis, Kultchar, Simonds and Hahn.

GIFT TO THE LIBRARY.

Substantial Additions to be Made to Greek Literature Department.

In a letter to President Stryker, Theodore L. Cross, Esq., '81, of Utica, N. Y., offered the sum of $250.00 to be expended during the current year, and the same amount next year, in order to found an alcove of books in the College Library, relating to the subject of Greek Literature. The books are to be selected by Professor Fitch. In accordance with the donor's wish, the words inscribed upon the tablet that marks the new alcove will be: "Greek Literature. Testimonial to Edward North, by Theodore L. Cross, '81."

The gift of Mr. Cross is the more to be appreciated since it was unsolicited and was prompted by his wish to offer to the College some expression of his obligation to it. In tendering the gift he referred to the high regard which he cherishes for the memory of his former teacher and friend, and expressed his purpose of furthering in a substantial way that department of study to which Professor North devoted his life. Hon. S. N. D. North, LL.D., '69, the son and literary executor of Professor North, has presented to the new alcove a copy of the Memoir of Edward North, and has signified his desire to increase the new collection, at some time in the near future, by suitable books from his father's library.

An order for the first installment of the books has been sent in, and the new purchase will find a place on the first floor of the Library.

DEMAND FOR COLLEGE MEN.

"Of late years the office has been much handicapped in making recommendations for teachers in schools, and more especially in boarding schools, by the fact that so few of the men going in for teaching have any knowledge of or take any interest in athletics.

"Though we can recommend the best of highly specialized men for University positions, it is left to the smaller colleges to supply wholesome, all-round school teachers whose mental and physical development is evenly balanced and who have a genuine love for out-of-door sports. The appointments office needs more men of this type badly, if Harvard influence in the secondary schools is to be maintained."—From article by R. A. Derby (Secretary of Appointments) in Harvard Illustrated Magazine.

ADVISORY BOARD MEETS.

Ass't Mgrs. of Football Nominated—Ogilvie and Regin Submitted to the College for Vote.

The Advisory Board held its first meeting of the year Friday evening in Silliman Hall for the purpose of conducting routine business and with the further idea of discussing the recently proposed plan of reducing the membership of the Board. Ogilvie and Regin, '14, were nominated for the position of Assistant Manager of Football and will come before the College. The football H was awarded to 15 men and schedules submitted by the managers of track, football and musical clubs were approved.

The Board considered the matter of securing a football coach for next Fall and a recommendation was filed by Assistant Manager Wenigmann and Captain Stone that Sidle, '11, be secured. The football H was then awarded to Knox, D. S. Root, McGovern, Eells, Watkin and C. Root, '12, Stone, C. Thompson and Fear, '13, Leavenworth, McLean, Robinson, Potter and Eddy, '14, and LaForce, '15. A recommendation was offered by Captain Knox and President Martin, '11, that the H be awarded to LaForce, '14.

Manager Ingersoll submitted an indoor track schedule which was approved. Twelve men will compete at Rochester on March 9th while the Relay Team will run at the Columbla games February 17th, in Troy February 22, and in Buffalo March 1. The team may also enter the relay at Boston February 10.

The schedule for the mid-winter concerts of the Musical Clubs, as prepared by Manager Boone was approved. There will be a concert in Clinton tomorrow night, the Prom. concert February 6, and from February 21st to 24th inclusive a trip which will include Binghamton, Scranton, New Rochelle, Yonkers and Brooklyn. The Yonkers concert is to be given in the afternoon.

Following the submitting of schedules the proposed plan for decreasing the membership of the Advisory Board was discussed. It was finally decided to hold a College meeting Monday, January 15, with a view f determining the sentiment of the College.

The rifle club of the University of California has a 300-yard rifle range upon which they practice.

The University of Kansas is going to have a model newspaper plant for the use of the classes in journalism.

FIRST CONCERT OF SEASON

Will be Presented by Musical Clubs Tomorrow Evening at Clinton—Club Personnel Determined.

A final weeding has taken place in the Glee Club, the selections being made by Mr. Calthrop of Utica. The personnel reads as follows: First tenor—Alvord, '12, Thompson, '12, West, '12, Hahn, '13, and Lockwood, '15; second tenor—Ahlheim, '12, Peters, '12, Peck, '13, C. B. Thompson, '13, and T. Jessup, '14; first base—Knox, '12, Clark, '13, Cross, '13, McGibeny, '14, and Williamson, '14; second base — Allen, '12, Bagg, '12, Marsh, '12, Callahan, '14, Felt, '14, and Leavenworth, '14. The Musical Clubs concert tomorrow night at the Scollard Opera House, Clinton, will not be, as often hiteherto, an early concert with the try-it-on-the-dog element. The Clubs are practically perfect as they now stand; only a slight polishing off of the rough spots is yet necessary. For this reason, if for no other, every College man should be on hand tomorrow night to suppor the Clubs. Seats can be reserved directly through the candidates for assistant manager, Booth, Lyon, Marsh, Mengerink or Weaver. The five dollars guarantee must be paid by each man on the Clubs before he may take part in the concert.

The program is as follows:

PART I.

1. Barcarolle, Offenbach
THE CLUBS.
2. Poet and Peasant Overture, arr. by Eells, '12.
MANDOLIN CLUB.
3. Song of the Cavalry Sabre, Adams
MR. KNOX.
4. Dreaming, Shelly
GLEE CLUB.
5. Luxembourg Waltz, arr. by Eells, '12,
MANDOLIN CLUB.
6. 1912 Tutti Frutti, arr. by Johnson, '11,
GLEE CLUB.
7. Pianolog, arr. by McGibeny, '14
MR. MC GIBENY.
8. Monolog.

Intermission.

PART II.

9. Doan' You Cry, Neidlinger
MR. THOMPSON AND GLEE CLUB.
10. Violin Solo — Chanson sans Paroles, Tchaikowsky
MR. HEIDNER.
11. In the Shadows, Finck
MANDOLIN CLUB.
12. Quartet,
MR. THOMPSON, MR. PETERS, MR. KNOX, AND MR. MARSH
13. Campus Medley, arr. by Purdy, '06
GLEE CLUB.
14. Carissima, Stryker, '72
GLEE CLUB.

CENTENNIAL PROGRAM AND COMMITTEES.

In the recent issue of the Hamilton Record President Stryker outlines the plans for the Centennial Commencement as follows:

Thursday, June 13, Entrance Examinations in the morning. Prize speaking in the College Chapel at 4 p. m.

Friday, June 14, Class Day of 1912 at 10:30. Meeting of the Trustees at 2. Prize Debate at 4.

Saturday, June 15, Alumni Day. Meeting of the Alumni in the Chapel at 10:30. Various class reunions. The President's reception at 4. Campus night. College songs about the Chapel steps, the Glee Club leading.

Sunday, June 16, the Baccalaureate sermon in the Chapel at 4 p. m.

Monday, June 17, Commencement Day. The Historical Address will be given by Senator Root, and there will be a poem by Professor Scollard. Luncheon at Commons. After luncheon there will be a general reception for President Taft in the portico of Root Hall.

The committees follow:

Entertainment of special guests; Messrs. Davenport, Scollard and Henry White.

Local transportation and escort; Messrs. Prof. Lewis, George M. Weaver, jr., and Robert U. Hayes.

Assignment of rooms; Messrs. Adams, Root, and Squires.

Housing in Clinton; Messrs. H. P. Osborne, Wight, and S. J. Saunders.

Commencement day luncheon, Commons board, music; Pres. Stryker.

Press; Messrs. Dunham, and Paul Williams.

Police and guarding of buildings; Messrs. James S. Sherman, Rogers, and T. D. Martin.

Beds, furnishing, and possible tents, Messrs. Stanton and DeRegt.

General extra details; Messrs. Stryker, and Adams, executively representing the centennial committee.

BASKET-BALL TONIGHT.

Tonight at eight-thirty there will be a double-header in basket-ball. 1912 vs. 1914 and 1913 vs. 1915.

—The Clinton Courier proposes that the tree on which Clapp was injured be removed.

DON'T ABOLISH ATHLETICS.

Says Pres. Vincent of Minnesota—Their Evils Exaggerated.

Since the Spring of 1909, when the Faculty abolished intercollegiate basket-ball there has been widespread discussion in and about the College concerning the attitude toward athletics in general. The argument has been repeatedly offered that college athletics are surely usurping the true scholastic functions and that the importance given football and other student activities are altogether out of proportion with their true value. In view of this belief, as frequently expressed by various members of the Faculty, the following excerpts from an address by Pres. George E. Vincent of the University of Minnesota should be of interest:

"When a community awakes suddenly to wrongs and abuses which have grown up almost unconsciously there are always a few who lose heart. They see the abuses so clearly that they overlook the real values. This is true of intercollegiate athletics. The evils which attend these contests are some of them obvious, others are indirect and concealed. The pessimists easily enumerate the dangers.

"That all these dangers exist no one can deny. To abolish intercollegiate athletics would do away with these evils, but would give rise to others of a very different sort. It is true that to identify athletic prowess with the true greatness of a university is childish.

"Athletics are to be valued because of their educational possibilities. To give them up would be to surrender one of the most valuable means by which an institution can train and discipline its students and exalt the virile qualities of character. Athletics have an important bearing upon physical education. They raise types and ideals of physical development and achievement. Under the right conditions they give mental training of real importance."

INTER-CLASS DEBATE THURSDAY

The Inter-class Debate will be held in the Chapel Thursday evening promptly at seven-thirty. Both the Senior and Junior Teams have appeared before the Debate Council, and both teams are preparing for a close drawn contest. Life strongly urges hearty support for this debate. Every man in College should endeavor to be on hand.

—Karl King, '15, is out for Assistant Manager of Track.

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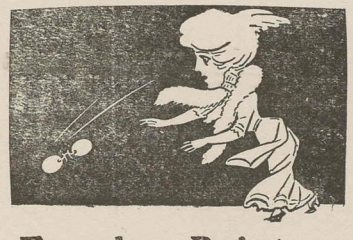

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NEW GOVERNING BOARD.

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in order to gain some idea of the practical working of the scheme. Connell, '12, late manager of football, was asked to voice his opinion. "I would rather work under the new plan," said Connell, "because I believe that more work would be done in a more efficient manner and in a shorter time. At present we hear a good deal of long-winded talk in the Advisory Board meetings. Most of this would be done away with under the new scheme. I'm for it."

More Opposition.

Wenigmann, '13, present manager of football, stated hisbelief that discussion under the proposed scheme would be one-sided. "The board would hear just one side; I don't believe that the non-manager members of this new board would be as competent to act as the present Advisory Board."

Knox, '12, argued that during his term of office his only act had been to propose the award of the football "H". "And I did this at a meeting at which I was asbent," said Knox.

Thompson, '12, and Wassung, '13, both expressed the view that the proposed plan meant a volutary surrender of student rights and that since the undergraduates contributed the major portion of the funds involved, they should be allowed the right to dispose of it as they saw fit.

Plea for the Alumni.

DuBois, '12, made a strong argument both in favor of the scheme and in behalf of the Alumni. "The Alumni are making liberal contributions and ought to be recognized. They are thus decreasing the student taxations and should be represented.

At this point discussion waxed fierce. Opinions from many of the upperclassmen were forthcoming. Adams and Boone, '12, opposed the proposed plan, the latter suggesting that suitable modifications of the present board could be made. Dr. Wood and Bedenkapp emphasized the fact that the Alumni were very desirous of securing representation and that since they were liberal contributors they deserved recognition. "And I might add," said Dr. Wood, "that a student representation of three men would aid materially in eliminating politics."

On motion of Simonds, '13, the question was put to vote and carried by a rousing majority amid cheers.

Introduced by Dr. Wood, Joseph Rudd, '90, spoke briefly of the recent coasting accident and proposed that the guard rail at the Psi U curve be removed. Mr. Rudd voiced the belief that such an act would increase the caution exercised by the students and thus decrease the possibility of accidents. A formal motion including these views was defeated.

And then there were "eats."

Any member of the College body desiring to suggest modifications of the proposed plan would confer a favor by submitting the same to DuBois, Drummond, Bates and Bedenkapp, '12.

The history of the question and an extensive resumé of the arguments in favor of the proposed plan was circulated by Life before the meeting convened. A major portion follows:

For some time there has been a constant growth of feeling in the College that the present Advisory Board is too large. The Board itself has realized its inability to transact important business well by appointing a sub-committee, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, to administer the finances of the Association. The duties now remaining to the Advisory Board are mere matters of routine excepting the nominating function, and in its nominations the Board has been decidedly unsatisfactory. Twice in three years the College has repudiated nominations and has had to compel the Board to render justice. Seldom is there an election for which the Board is not criticized for suspected unfairness. The feeling has steadily grown that the Board is representative not of the College activities, but of the crowds. This dissatisfaction has but been awaiting some opportunity to let itself loose.

Last year several young Alumni endeavored to organize an Alumni Athletic Association. The plans of this organization should be familiar to all. But no sooner had the promoters launched this Alumni Association than the Advisory Board announced its adoption of a similar scheme. A conflict of interests was inevitable. What more natural than that a combination of the two organizations with each represented in the disbursement of the funds. The Alumni said they would withdraw their plans, provided that the representation was given to the Alumni in handling the finances. Although the Alumni now have a large representation on the Advisory Board, that Board has no control of the finances. It was evident that Alumni be given seats on the Board of Estimate and Apportionment. But this addition of two or three Alumni would enlarge the Board and therefore decrease its efficiency. Such action was not thought desirable by the Advisory Board.

The result of prolonged discussion was the suggestion that the Advisory Board and the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be abolished and an executive committee be formed to perform the duties of both the present Boards. Here was the opportunity awaited by those dissatisfied with the Advisory Board.

Acting on that suggestion, President Martin appointed a committee consisting of Dr. Wood, Dr. Saunders, Dr. Shearer, with himself as chairman, to draw up a new constitution to embody this suggestion. The report of this committee was presented for adoption at the meeting of the Advisory Board last Friday night. Bitter opposition developed. The Board was divided in its opinion. President Martin considered it advisable to call a College meeting in order to ascertain student opinion. If the students are entirely satisfied with the present Board, it would be of no use to continue the tedious work of revising the constitution in the Advisory Board.

The present Advisory Board is composed of 29 members—31 when the Editor and Business Manager of Lit. are added. Sixteen are student members; 15 Faculty and Alumni members.

The proposed Executive Committee will consist of not more than 11; not less than 7—nine seems to be considered the proper number.

The duties of the Advisory Board proper are: Awarding H's; revising the constitution; approving schedules; and nominating candidates for Assistant Manager. Against this Board Life raises the following objections:

I. It is unwieldy.

II. The members feel too little responsibility.

III. The Alumni are not represented in the disbursement of funds.

IV. In its nominating function, it is much suspected by the Student-body, and often justly so.

V. It is unnecessary.

In summary, then, the only thing of any consequence the Advisory Board does is to nominate candidates, and this it does poorly.

The proposed Executive Committee should be formed because it will do away with the unnecessary and bad features of the present Board, for the faults of the present Board may be grouped under these two heads:

I. Those due to large number of members.

II. Those due to present composition of Board.

LOCAL DEPARTMENT

D. E. STONE, '13, Local Editor.

HILL NOTES.

—On Wednesday, Jan. 10, George Britton Smith, '08, and Miss Fontella Farnsworth were married at Camden, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. Smith will reside at Schenectady, N. Y.

—On Saturday, December 23rd, at Rochester, N. Y., occurred the wedding of Carl S. Schermerhorn, '04, and Miss Ednah Electa Ford. Mr. and Mrs. Schermerhorn will reside at Geneva, N. Y.

—The Freshmen have ordered their basket-ball suits from Alexander Taylor & Co.

—Royce, '14, has been elected Captain-Manager of the Sophomore Basket-ball Team.

—By a new ruling, rooms will be reserved in the dormitories for the incoming Freshmen, so that the inconvenience of waiting for bids by the fraternities will be eliminated.

—Life wishes to make a correction in the date which appeared on the last issue. It should read January ninth instead of January eighth.

"LIT." TAKEN OVER.

Publication Admitted to Athletic Association.

In pursuance to a request from the Hamilton Literary Magazine the Advisory Board Friday night determined to include that publication among the student activities now controlled by the Athletic Association. According to the resolutions passed Lit. will devote a larger amount of space to matters of interest to the Alumni.

The resolutions as adopted follow:

The Association shall take over the Hamilton Literary Magazine under the same conditions as attach to the other activities: the Manager and Editor-in-Chief to have seats on the Advisory Board.

Every subscribing member of the Association, other than undergraduates, shall be placed on the mailing lis of the Hamilton Literary Magazine.

There shall be an Alumni Editor of the Hamilton Literary Magazine, to be appointed by the Alumni Council.

The Alumni Editor shall have undisputed control and responsibility, so stated in each issue, over four pages of the Literary Magazine, to be furnished by the Manager. He may have more pages under arrangement with the Manager, and upon payment by the Alumni.

COLLEGE ENJOYS MUSICAL.

On Saturday evening last Professor Saunders gave one of his well-known musicals in the Chapel. There was a string quartet consisting of Professor Saunders, 1st violin, Mr. Ray Heidner, 2nd violin, Mr. Frank Saunders, viola, and Prof. Mahr, cello, assisted by Mr. Clock of Rochester, clarinet. The work was especially finished, the ensemble perfect.

The Quintet by Mozart and especially the Adagio movement was perhaps the most enjoyed number of the program. Chamber-music is in a sphere of its own; it has a finished beauty and quiet charm not found in other forms of music. In Mozart's Quartets, Trios, and Quintets the beauty of theme and plan of true Chamber-music is expressed in so simple and dignified a style that they are rightly classed with the first. To say that Prof. Saunders did ample justice to his text is only due his beautiful rendering.

The next number was a movement from Schubert's B Minor Quartet, variations on the theme, "Death and the Maiden." This also was well played.

The last number was a short Quintet by Weber in which the clarinet "was treated more as a solo or superior instrument.' The piece, more brilliant and vigorous than the other two, was played with remarkably fine precision and exactness. At its close the Adagio from Mozart's Quintet was repeated as an encore.

Considering the severity of the weather a considerable audience was present. The program:

1. Quintet, Mozart.
   Allegro, Adagio, Minuet, Finale
   (Theme with variations.)
2. Selection from String Quartet in B Minor, Shubert,
   Variations on Theme "Death and the Maiden."
3. Quintet, Weber.

—Clinton Scollard has recovered from his recent illness. He met his first classes of the year yesterday morning.

—Fear, '13, has issued a denial of the rumor that he intends to transfer his residence to the College Library.

—Last Thursday night a water pipe burst in the second story of the Gymnasium. The dressing room was flooded, and considerable other damage was done.

The new ice rink being built by the Yale Athletic Association at New Haven will be ready next week.

NEW YORK ALUMNI DINE.

A. B. Degree Without Greek Discussed.

The Forty-fourth Annual Reunion of the New York City Association of Hamilton Alumni was held Friday night at the Hotel Savoy. The dinner, looking forward to the Centennial Commencement, was largely attended and did much to arouse enthusiasm for the exercises in June.

Following an elaborate nine course menu toasts were given by the four guests of the Association, Dr. Stryker, Hon. Abel E. Blackmar, '74, Calvin N. Kendall, '82, and Dr. William A. Shanklin, '83. During the dinner and interspersed with the toasts were selections by a double quartet from the College, consisting of Thompson, Marsh, Peters, Knox and West, '12, Sidle, '11, C. B. Thompson, '13, and Barnes, '14.

Justice Blackmar delivered what was probably the first public utterance of a sentiment long existing among a part of the Alumni when he voiced the plea for an A. B. degree awarded without Greek. Dr. Stryker later in the evening met this issue and declared his opinion that the College should maintain its present policy. Calvin N. Kendall, who is now the State Commissioner of Education in New Jersey reminisced about the Hill. He was followed by President Shanklin of Wesleyan University who was loudly applauded.

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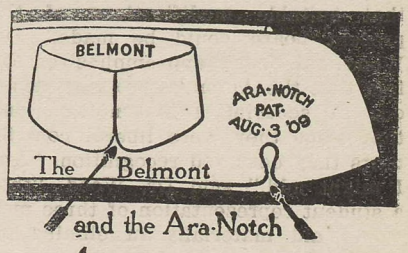

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